

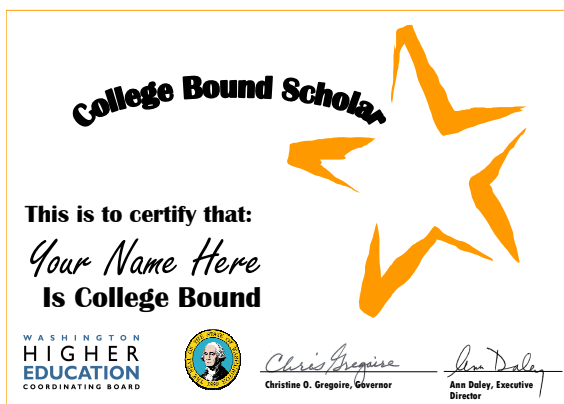
## Message from President Barack Obama

*"...I ask every American to commit to at least one year or more of higher education or career training. This can be a community college or a four-year school, vocational training or an apprenticeship. But whatever the training may be, every American will need to get more than a high school diploma.*

*And dropping out of high school is no longer an option. It's not just quitting on yourself; it's quitting on your country. And this country needs and values the talents of every American."*

**President Barack Obama**

February 24, 2009



## College Bound Scholarship Program

### A Washington Opportunity Pathway

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**Think you can't  
afford college?**



**Think again.**

Are you in the 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade?  
You may be eligible for a four-year  
**College Bound Scholarship.**



**Are you  
College Bound?**

# Am I eligible?

Apply for the College Bound Scholarship if you meet **one** of these requirements:

- Are eligible for or receive free or reduced price lunch.
- Are a foster youth (regardless of income).
- Receive TANF benefits.
- Meet the family income requirements in the chart below.

*You must be eligible when you apply for the scholarship. Your family's income will be used to verify scholarship eligibility in your senior year.*

## College Bound Scholarship 2009-2010 Income Eligibility

<i>Family Size</i>	<i>2008 Income Family income must be less than or equal to:</i>	<i>Monthly Income</i>
2	\$27,000	\$2,250
3	\$33,900	\$2,825
4	\$40,800	\$3,400
5	\$47,700	\$3,975
6	\$54,600	\$4,550
7	\$61,600	\$5,125
8	\$68,500	\$5,700
Add for each additional person	\$6,900	\$ 575

# How do I apply?

**If you are eligible**, you and your parent or legal guardian must complete the application and pledge while you are in the 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Apply online:**  
[www.hecb.wa.gov/collegebound](http://www.hecb.wa.gov/collegebound)

or request a paper application by calling:  
**1-888-535-0747**

# What is the pledge?

**As a College Bound student, you promise to:**

- Graduate from a Washington state high school or home school with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher.
- Demonstrate good citizenship in your school and community and stay crime free.
- Submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form.
- Apply to an eligible college.



# Is there a deadline?

**YES!** You must apply by **June 30** of your 8<sup>th</sup> grade year.

# What happens next?

**When your application is complete** you will receive a College Bound certificate.

# What does it pay for?

The amount of the College Bound Scholarship is based on the tuition (at public college rates) not covered by other state financial aid **PLUS** \$500 each year for books!

# Where can I use the scholarship?

You can earn a certificate or degree at a Washington public community and technical college, public four-year institution, an approved, accredited independent college or university, or private career school.

For a complete list of participating Schools visit the College Bound website at [www.hecb.wa.gov/collegebound](http://www.hecb.wa.gov/collegebound).

**I am College Bound**

